

children and families affected by Spinal Muscular Atrophy.

#### TRIBUTE TO SANDY HUANG

### HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 31, 2008*

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sandy Huang, of Ames, Iowa, one of fifty outstanding U.S. high school students selected to attend the twenty-fifth annual Research Science Institute sponsored by the Center for Excellence in Education and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The mission of the Center for Excellence in Education is to nurture young scholars to careers of excellence and leadership in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The Research Science Institute is a highly competitive six-week program which emphasizes advanced theory and research in mathematics, the sciences, and engineering. Sandy was selected for this program upon scoring in the upper one-percent of those in the U.S. who took the PSAT exam. From June to August 2008, Sandy will learn from distinguished professors and conduct a research project.

I commend Sandy Huang for his commitment to leadership in science and technology. He is a future leader of this country of whom Iowa is very proud. I am honored to represent Sandy in the United States Congress and I wish him the best in future endeavors.

#### HONORING SHERIFF BROWNLOW

### HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 31, 2008*

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize an outstanding citizen and public servant, J.R. Ronny Brownlow, in honor of his retirement from law enforcement after serving the public for 44 years.

In 1964, Sheriff Brownlow began his life of public service at the Mesquite Police Department. Three years later, Sheriff Brownlow moved to the Texas Department of Public Safety where he served for 27 years as a Highway Patrolman and a Texas Ranger.

Since then, Sheriff Brownlow has worked as the Anderson County Chief Deputy Sheriff, spent 1 year with the U.S. Marshals Service, and worked 3 years as the Henderson County Chief Deputy Sheriff. In 2000, he was elected Henderson County Sheriff and has worked tirelessly since then.

Sheriff Brownlow's work has not gone unnoticed. In addition to receiving the Peace Officer Award for Excellence, Sheriff Brownlow secured a spot in the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and in 2004 won the Chairman's Award from the Texas Ranger Association Foundation. This year, Sheriff Brownlow was named the 2008 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.

Sheriff Brownlow accomplished all this while raising three sons and a daughter. Currently, he is a proud grandfather of four and husband to wife Theresa.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Fifth District of Texas, I am honored to recognize

Sheriff J.R. Ronny Brownlow for his courage in protecting and serving citizens all across the Fifth District of Texas.

#### MS. SALLY GALEGO HONORED FOR HER LONGEVITY

### HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 31, 2008*

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Sally Galego of Largo, Florida who I am proud to represent, for being one of Florida's longest living persons at 108 years old.

During Ms. Galego's rich life she has witnessed the popularization of indoor plumbing, electricity, flight, the internet and so many wonderful innovations that made the last century so great. Born in 1900, she lived through the American Century, a time of great turmoil and triumph, through which our nation has become one of the truly great nations of the world.

For the benefit of my colleagues, I would like to include in the RECORD a story about Ms. Galego from her hometown paper, the Largo Leader.

Madam Speaker, Ms. Galego is a reminder of this last century as we look forward to the new one stretched out ahead of us. Please join me in congratulating her for her long lifetime of experiences.

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(By Thomas Michalski)

LARGO—Sally Galego will be 108 years old on Saturday, June 14. She might be among the oldest person in Pinellas County, man or woman, and possibly the state, but still goes to the YMCA three times a week to exercise.

She was born before the Wright Brothers flew their first plane and before the popularity of electricity, automobiles, radio and television came along.

"I have many, many fond memories," Galego said. Born June 14, 1900 in Belfast, Maine, she and her two brothers and two sisters grew up on a 100-acre farm. There was no electricity. No telephones. No inside plumbing.

One sister, Louise, 99, of Bangor, Maine, survives and the two sisters stay in touch on a regular basis.

Galego's father was killed by a swarm of bees when she was 9. She later not only graduated elementary school, but high school and college as well. That was almost unheard of in those days. Galego recalls seeing television for the first time at the 1939-40 New York World's Fair.

Over the years, she traveled the world to visit the pyramids in Egypt, the Vatican in Rome and toured England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and other countries.

#### TRIBUTE TO NICK DONOFRIO

### HON. PETER WELCH

OF VERMONT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 31, 2008*

Mr. WELCH of Vermont. Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to Mr. Nick Donofrio who is retiring after more than 40 years in various leadership capacities at the IBM Corporation.

Nick Donofrio is an adopted son of the Green Mountain State. For many years, Nick led IBM's semiconductor development and manufacturing facility in Burlington and he and his wife, Anita, raised their two children, Nicole and Michael, in Vermont.

Nick joined IBM in 1967 and spent the early part of his career in integrated circuit and chip development, as a designer of logic and memory chips. He held numerous technical management positions and, later, executive positions in several of IBM's product divisions. He has led many of IBM's major development and manufacturing teams—from semiconductor and storage technologies, to microprocessors and personal computers, to IBM's entire family of servers.

Nick has always been a champion for innovation across IBM and its global ecosystem. He has been the leader of IBM's global technology strategy. In addition to his strategic business mission, Nick has led the development and retention of IBM's technical population and strives to enrich that community with a diversity of culture and thought.

Nick has been focused sharply on advancing education, employment and career opportunities for under represented minorities and women—all issues of great importance to me as well.

He served for many years on the Board of Directors for the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering (NACME). He has served on the Board of Directors for INROADS, a non-profit organization focused on the training and development of talented minority youth for professional careers in business and industry, and he is co-chair of the New York Hall of Science. A fellow Italian-American, Nick was awarded the prestigious 2007 National Education and Leadership Award from the Sons of Italy Foundation.

He is the holder of seven technology patents and is a member of numerous technical and science honor societies. In 2002, Nick was recognized by Europe's Institution of Electrical Engineers with the Mensforth International Gold Medal for outstanding contributions to the advancement of manufacturing engineering. In 2003, he was named Industry Week magazine's Technology Leader of the Year, the University of Arizona's Technical Executive of the Year, and was presented with the Rodney D. Chipp Memorial Award by the Society of Women Engineers for his outstanding contributions to the advancement of women in the engineering field. In 2005, Nick was elected a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, he was presented with Syracuse University's highest alumni honor—the George Arents Pioneer Medal, and he was honored by CNBC with its Overall Technology Leadership Award.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Nick Donofrio, as he begins a new exciting chapter in his life.

#### PAYING TRIBUTE TO DEMA GUINN

### HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 31, 2008*

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to rise today to honor the former First Lady of Nevada, Dema Guinn, by entering her name in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD,